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CALIFORNIA CODE ADOPTION
Meeting Notes
F Occupancy Group
December 28, 2005
City of Norwalk, CA

ATTENDEES: Committee or Group Members Present: Sarkis Nazerian, Pasadena Building Roy Fewell, La Habra Building Jon Traw, Laguna Woods Building Ed Vergaray, Tony Weimholt, Norwalk Building Hadi Tabatabaee, Fullerton Building CDF/SFM Staff Present: None

DOCUMENT HANDOUTS:

1. Work Group Reports

AGENDA:

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting
- 3. Chairman's Comments
- 4. Communications
- **5.** Work Items (See work item matrix)
- 6. Request for New Work Items
- 7. New Business
- 8. Next Meeting
- 9. Adjournment

DISCUSSION/COMMENTS:

Sarkis Nazerian called the meeting to order and opened comments on the approval of the minutes from the December 20, 2005 meeting. The code section 1003.2.8.6 in work topic item 3 was corrected and the reference to code section 1117B2.5 was deleted as determined not applicable. The minutes were approved as modified.

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Sarkis reminded the group of the upcoming deadlines for the work product delivery to the SFM of second draft by January 6, 2006 and third draft by February 15, 2006. Discussion regarding review of the work group reports was initiated.

Upon review of the work group reports the group decided that a work item matrix be developed to track action or recommendations for each specific category within the initial topics as many were broken down into subtopics in the initial review. Woodworking was divided with Work Item1 identified as CBC 904.2.5.1 & Work Item 2 identified as IBC 903.2.3. The attached matrix provides a breakdown of each Work Item identifying the initial reviewer by initials and the recommended action to date.

Work Items 1 through 10 were discussed and the group collectively agreed to forward potential code change recommendations to the core group for consideration on Work Item 6 "CBC 1003.2.8.6 Tactile Exit Signage." The group agreed to forward potential code change recommendations to the core group for consideration on and Work Item 7 "IBC 508.3.2 Nonseparated Uses", unless the height and areas work group made significant modifications to the area increase provisions allowed in the IBC. Group discussion regarding Work Item 8 "IBC Occupancy Separation Table" resulted in the decision to not recommend a State change but to pursue a possible code change at the national level. Other Work Items considered were determined to be essentially the same between the CBC and the IBC and at this draft no code changes were recommended for those items.

Discussion on Work Item 11 "CBC 503.2 Exterior Wall Protection" and Work Item 13 "Chapter 6 Fire Resistive Construction could not be completed due to time constraints and the group agreed that more work was needed on these items. Work Item 12 "Chapter 8 Interior Finishes" was not discussed as the initial work product was not available and the group lacked the time to complete a full review.

Due to time constraints no new work was discussed.

The next meeting date was discussed among the group members and a tentative date of January 25, 2006 was selected pending availability of the remaining members of the group.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm.

NEXT MEETING: Tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, January 25, 2006 at 10:00 am. Norwalk City Hall - 12700 Norwalk Boulevard, Community Development Department (Room 12) Conference Room South. Phone # (562) 929-5744